

SD Supporting Families CoP State Team



Welcome & Introductions

- Opening Round
 - * Name
 - * Where are you from?

- Using the Chat box, complete this sentence:
 - * "I'm on the SD State Team for Supporting Families because..."













Core Belief:
All people and their families have the right to live, love, work, play and pursue their life aspirations in their community.







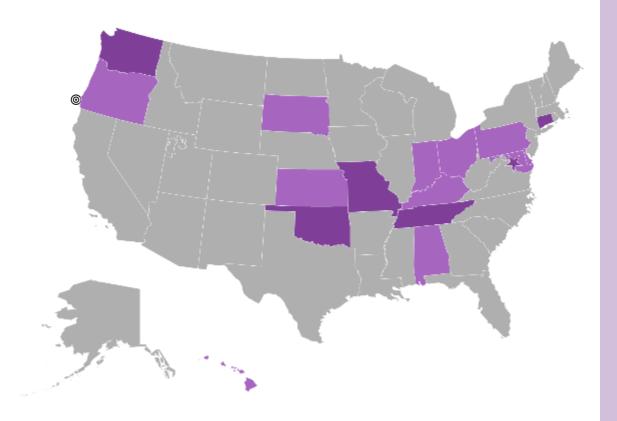




What is a Community of Practice?

- A community of practice brings together "people who share a concern or passion for something they do and learn how to do it better as they interact This model was chosen for this effort to provide means for:
- Connecting people who may have never had contact;
- Providing a shared context for people to communicate, collaborate, generate knowledge, share information; and solve commonly identified problems;
- Stimulating learning by serving as a vehicle for communication, mentoring, coaching, or self-reflection; and
- Helping people organize around purposeful actions.





Project Outcome

- State and national consensus on a national framework and agenda for improving support for families with members with I/DD.
- Enhanced national and state policies, practices, and sustainable systems that result in improved supports to families.
- Enhanced capacity of states to replicate and sustain exemplary practices to support families and systems.

National Community of Practice for Supporting Families

Project Goal

To build capacity through a community of practice across and within States to create policies, practices and systems to better assist and support families that include a member with I/DD across the lifespan.



What is the role of the SD CoP State Team?



- Organize a structure of leaders to drive the change in your state
- Understand and use the Charting the LifeCourse "thinking"
- Identify and develop an infrastructure in the state for other stakeholders to also learn about the framework
- Identify statewide specific Innovation Areas for integrating and implementing the Charting the LifeCourse-thinking, tools and practices.
- Leverage and bridge National CoP opportunities with statewide stakeholders to learn from other states and to national technical assistance.

Meeting Agreements

- Respect for all members & perspectives
- « Keep speakers muted when not speaking
 - * Use chat box if you have a question or comment you don't want to forget
- Active participation
- Remember we can use the "parking lot"
 - * When an important topic comes up, but it's not on today's agenda, we can "park" it until the next meeting



Goal 1: Self-Advocate & Family Networks

- Have many perspectives represented on the SD Supporting Families CoP State Team
- Learn what matters most to families
- Provide information and opportunities for self-advocates & families to develop the skills they need to effectively share their vision of a good life

Answer in the Chat Box:

What can provider agencies and other organizations do to better connect with families & self-advocates?



Goal 2: Private and Public Partnerships

- Identify similar goals & activities underway in other state agencies, provider organizations & communities
- Find ways to partner to achieve common goals & reach similar audiences
- Share learning and resources to more effectively support families

How can I, as a CoP member, help expand public/private partnerships?



Goal 3: Supporting Families as a Priority within DDD

What is the SD CoP's role in accomplishing this goal?

- Asking families & self-advocates "What gets in the way..."
- Policies, procedures, practices both written and unwritten
 - **★**Guidelines
 - ★The language & terminology used
 - **★**Accessibility of information
- How do these impact families?
- Do self-advocates & families have opportunities to provide feedback and recommendations?



Family Support Council – Apply Now!

- Governor appointed Council
- Appointment to the Family Support Council makes you a voice for many families, not just your own.
- The Council assists in development, implementation, and evaluation of family support services in South Dakota.
- Quarterly meetings in various locations within the state. The Council meetings are open meetings and the public is encouraged to attend.
 - ⋆ Next meeting is scheduled for June 6th from 9 am 12 pm CT

Online Good Life Group

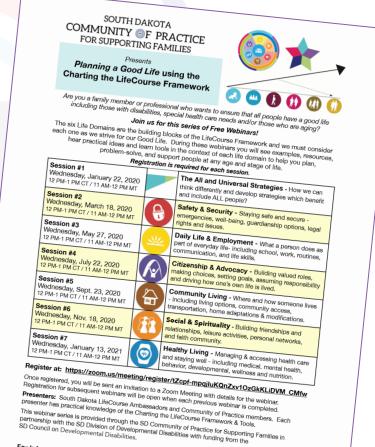
- Offering Families Connection
- Opportunity to learn the Charting the LifeCourse principles, concepts, and practice with the tools.
- Develop a vision using the Trajectory
- Think about supports, the Integrated Supports Star





Upcoming Activities for SD Charting the LifeCourse

- July 22nd Citizenship & Advocacy
- September 23rd Community Living
- November 18th Social & Spirituality
- January 13th, 2021 Healthy Living



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Upcoming SD CoP Activities

- August 5, 2020
 - * In person Meeting -
- Bi-monthly State CoP Meetings
 - * All meetings held from 12 pm 1:30 pm CT
 - October 7, 2020
 - December 2, 2020
 - February 3, 2021
 - April 7, 2021
 - June 2, 2021

Stay tuned for:

- * Online Good Life Groups
- Community of Practice
 Overview available for
 new and existing SD CoP
 members
- Updates to Supporting Families page on DDD website



National CoP Innovation Workgroups

Connect with people from other Community of Practice member states who share similar interests!

- Cultural and Linguistic Competency
 - * May 12, 2020
- Implementation & Practice
 - * April 2, 2020
- Family & Self-Advocate Engagement
 - * June 4, 2020
- *See handout titled "2019-2020 Innovations Workgroup Schedule" for connection information for each



National CoP Annual Meeting & Charting the LifeCourse Showcase

- 2020 Supporting Families Community of Practice Annual Meeting
 - * Virtual Meeting
 - * April 28th, 2020
 - A Participating CoP member states and national partners meet to share lessons learned, innovations and implementation strategies as well as state priorities and steps towards systems change to better support families using the Charting the LifeCourse framework
 - ☆ Funding Available to cover (in part or all) travel expense
 - A Must commit to attending all parts of the meeting and contribute learning to SD CoP State Team meetings & goals
- 2020 Charting the LifeCourse Showcase
 - * Kansas City, MO
 - * TBD
 - ☆ Provides a platform for in-person learning with national and international stakeholders to share how the CtLC framework and tools are being used to implement change at all levels. Annually attendees come together in person to showcase their learning in breakouts, tool in action sessions, expos and more.



Congrats to SD's newest LifeCourse Ambassadors!

- Dixie Jungwirth
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* We want to support family members to become Ambassadors and expand our reach in western SD!



What is the Ambassador Series?

If you are interested in learning more about the Ambassador Series and/or would like to apply to participate in the next series, please contact:

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- Learning sessions that occur over a 4-5 month timeframe
- Coaching calls held at approximately 3week intervals over the course of about three months.
- Homework assignments are to be completed between sessions. All assignments must be completed and submitted prior to receiving a certificate.
- As an Ambassador, you may also have the opportunity to attend the National CoP Annual Meeting and Charting the LifeCourse Showcase in Kansas City in the spring of 2021



Next Meeting

Tentative Date: June 3rd, 2020

- Agenda will include:
 - * Progress on goals since March 2019
 - * Turning goals into Action
 - * Sharing from each member successes & opportunities to consider supports to families in current efforts
- Other Information:
 - * Reimbursement for family members, self-advocates & support staff available (mileage, meals)
 - * Coordinating with event site for a working lunch provided by SD Supporting Families CoP
 - * Hotel reservations will be arranged for members who RSVP
- A link to register and confirm attendance will be sent, RSVP required



Closing Round

What do you have to share with other State Team members about supports to families during our face to face meeting?



Stay Connected!

- National CoP website
 www.supportstofamilies.org
- © Examples, Videos, and Downloadable materials www.lifecoursetools.com
- Information about SD Supporting Families CoP:

https://dhs.sd.gov/developmentaldisabilities/lifespan.aspx



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